Bilateral Meeting between KVS and AIKVTA

812. SHRI ASHOK NATH VERMA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some Members of Parliament have recently approached the Prime Minister, the Chairman Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan and the Minister of State in the Department of Education, requesting for holding a meeting between AIKVTA & KVS for solution of their long outstanding and urgent problems;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any such meeting has been held; and

(d) if so, the outcome thereof and if not, whether any date for such meeting has been fixed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The points raised by Members of Parliament are presented below:—

(1) Representation of employees on Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan, its Board of Governors and Academic Advisory Committee.

(2) Teaching Allowance to Laboratory Assistants/Attendants.

(3) Increase in internal promotion quota.

(4) Amendment in the rules regarding promotion of PGTs as Vice-Principals and transfer Guidelines.

(5) Recognition enjoyed by RKVAS.

(6) Formation and holding the meeting of Council under Joint Consultative Machinery.

(7) Probe into and Review of transfers ordered by previous Chairman in October-November, 1989, in violation of Transfer Guidelines.

(8) Transfer on compassionate grounds.

(c) and (d) No such meeting has been held or fixed.

Involvement of non-Government Organisations for Eradication of Illiteracy

813. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to involve non-Government organisations with task of eradication of illiteracy in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any non-Government organisations presently engaged in this task have sought help from the Union Government; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA): (a) and (b) Government of India already have a Scheme of Assistance to Voluntary Agencies working in the field of Adult Education under which voluntary agencies are given grant-in-aid for running literacy, post-literacy and any other activity as may be appropriate for achieving the objectives of National Literacy Mission (NLM).

(c) and (d) During the last three years, since inception of NLM *i.e.* 1987-88, 628 Voluntary Agencies have been sanctioned grant-in-aid of Rs. 2700.34 lakhs for running 45433 Adult Education Centres and 2355 Jana Shikshna Nilayams.